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## **City of Cleveland Accepts Applications for First Emergency Medical Technician Training Program**

**CLEVELAND** – For the first time in the history of the City of Cleveland Division of Emergency Medical Service (EMS), applications for the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Training Program may be submitted without State of Ohio certification. Selected applicants will now be able to secure this certification from the City's EMT training program.

As announced in Fall 2018, the State of Ohio approved Cleveland EMS's request to become an accredited EMT training facility. On July 14, 2019, the City of Cleveland opened applications for the EMT training academy scheduled to begin in the fourth quarter of 2019.

"This training provides additional avenues for the community to become part of the Department of Public Safety. This is part of our ongoing effort to recruit, train and certify EMTs that better reflect Cleveland's unique diversity," said Mayor Frank G. Jackson.

The Division of EMS, in collaboration with Ohio Means Jobs | Cleveland-Cuyahoga County (OMJCC), will recruit and assist in the placement of successful applicants. The two-step procedure includes a language and mathematics assessment administered by OMJCC and the City of Cleveland Civil Service Commission. Successful applicants will be required to complete 240 classroom hours and 48 hours of field training. Through the City's EMT training program, participants will earn their State of Ohio certification. Once completed, applicants will enter the EMS Academy for 400 additional classroom hours, 250 hours of field training specific to the medical protocols, procedures and orders of the City of Cleveland Division of EMS.

"This is a significant milestone for the Division of EMS. I would like to congratulate Commissioner Nicole A. Carlton for her leadership and vision. The Division of EMS education and training staff, working collaboratively with the Division of Fire successfully certified two Division of Fire EMT classes since receiving the accreditation," said Director of Public Safety Michael McGrath.

Commissioner Carlton added, "This training will allow us to provide opportunities for our residents and benefit the entire Department of Public Safety for many years to come. We are excited to share our vast expertise and pre-hospital care knowledge through this program."

Interested applicants should contact Ohio Means Jobs | Cleveland-Cuyahoga County (1910 Carnegie), the City of Cleveland Civil Service Commission (601 Lakeside Avenue) or the Public Safety Recruitment Team at 216-623-5233. The application process runs from July 14 through July 22, 2019.

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